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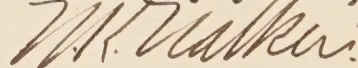
Gentlemen:

We are writing to you at the suggestion of Mr. Herbert Young of the New York Public Library to ask whether you have any information about a medal, the description of which is enclosed herewith.

This description is from MEDALS OF THE MASONIC FRATERNITY, by Wm. T. R. Marvin, Boston, privately printed, 1880, and is the only note which we have been able to find on the subject.

If you can do anything to help us your co-operation will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,



W. K. Walker  
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Obverse. A shield bearing the Bible, square and compasses (colors not indicated), and resting on a scroll having the motto DEUGD, ZY, UWCIERAAD (Virtue be your ornament); below the scroll are two right hands joined. Supporters, dexter, a lion rampant gardant, holding a sword in his dexter paw; sinister an eagle, having a globe in his sinister talon. The shield is illuminated by rays falling from the All-seeing eye above, which is surrounded by a circle of thirteen five-pointed stars. Legend, HOLLANDSCHE LOGE STAAT VAN NIEUW YORK and at the bottom .5787\* (Holland Lodge, State of New York). Reverse, Legend, above, Fd. Sept. 20 as N . 8, ORIGL. WARnt STOLEN extending two thirds around the Medal; under this, on a semi-circular ribbon, FIRST MASTER JOHN MEYER over the inscription REISd. A.L. 5810 BY G. L. of N. Y. CHdg to N . 16, 5819: 13, 5830: 8, 5839: in six lines, and below in small letters, in two curving lines to conform to lower edge, I.F.W. DES. G. H. L. FEC. I. F. WOOD'S SERIES "D" NO.4. Silver (ten only), Brass and copper: scarce. Size 20. The dies were cut by G. H. Lovett, of New York, and the Medal, which was designed by Mr. I. F. Wood, was issued by the Medal Club of New York

From MASONIC MEDALS  
By Marvin.



May 17, 1933.

Mr. W. K. Walker  
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71 W. 23rd St.  
New York City.

Dear Sir:

Unfortunately we are not conversant with Masonic medals. Concerning the medal you write about the only knowledge we have is what we would get from Marvin's book. Consequently you know as much about it as we do. However, Isaac Wood issued a great many small medalets commemorating historical scenes and events and many miscellaneous happenings and affairs, chiefly pertaining to New York. We have most of the medals that he issued and have often wondered why he picked on many of the subjects that he did.

Very truly yours,

HW:JG

Curator